

O God which art most merciful

Miserere mei Deus. Psal. 51.

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Superius [Soprano]

Tenor [Tenor]

Bassus [Tenor]

O God which

O God which art most mer - ci -

O God which art most mer - ci - ful, which art most

art most mer - ci - ful, have mer - cy Lord on me,

- ful, have mer - cy Lord on me, have mer - cy

mer - ci - ful, have mer - cy Lord on me, on me,

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on me, have mer - cy Lord on me, ac - cor - ding to thy

Lord on me, have mer - cy Lord on me, ac - cor - ding to

have mer - cy Lord on me, on me,

mer - cy great, ac - cor - ding to thy mer - cy great let me re -

thy mer - cy great, let me re - lie - ved be, let me re - lie - ved be,

ac - cor - ding to thy mer - cy great, let me re - lie - ved be, re - lie - ved be, let

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- lie - ved be, let me re - lie - ved be.

let me re - lie - ved be. And put a - way my wick - ed - ness, and

me re - lie - ved be, re - lie - ved be. And put a - way my wick - ed -

And put a - way my wick - ed - ness, my wick - ed - ness, and put a -
 put a - way my wick - ed - ness, my wick - ed - ness, my wick - ed - ness, and put a -
 - ness, my wick - ed - ness, my wick - ed - ness, my wick - ed - ness, and

way my wick - ed - ness, which sun - dry ways hath been, which sun - dry
 way my wick - ed - ness, which sun - dry ways hath been, hath been,
 put a - way my wick - ed - ness, which sun - dry ways hath

ways hath been, ac - cor - ding to the mul - ti - tude, ac -
 which sun - dry ways hath been, ac - cor - ding to the mul - ti - tude,
 been, which sun - dry ways hath been, ac - cor - ding to the mul - ti - tude, to the

-cor - ding to the mul - ti - tude of thy com - pas - si - ons seen,
 ac - cor - ding to the mul - ti - tude of thy com - pas - si - ons
 mul - ti - tude, ac - cor - ding to the mul - ti - tude, to the mul - ti -

of thy com - pas - si - ons seen, ac - cor - ding, ac - cor - ding
 seen, of thy com - pas - si - ons seen, ac - cor - ding
 -tude of thy com - pas - si - ons seen, ac - cor - ding to the

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to the mul - ti - tude of thy com-pas - si - ons seen,

to the mul - ti - tude of thy com-pas - si - ons seen, of thy com-pas - si -

mul - ti - tude, to the mul - ti - tude, of

of thy com - pas - si - ons seen, com - pas - si - ons seen.

- ons seen, of thy com - pas - si - ons seen.

thy com - pas - si - ons seen, of thy com - pas - si - ons seen.

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